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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS:PFOR, CASO, US, ET

SUBJECT:EXPULSION OF US CITIZENS AS ALLEGED CIA AGENTS

REF: ADDIS 1911

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HILTON HOTEL.

Q: WOULD YOU CARE TO COMMENT ON CHARGES IN THE ETHIOPIAN PRESS THAT THEY WERE SPYING?

A: THAT IS UTTER NONSENSE.

Q: IS THE DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDING THAT TOURISTS AVOID ETHIOPIA?

A: BECAUSE OF UNSETTLED CONDITIONS IN ETHIOPIA, WE ARE DISCOURAGING U.S. CITIZENS FROM TRAVELING TO ETHIOPIA AT THIS TIME.

2. RE PARA 5 REFTTEL, DEPT. BELIEVES WE SHOULD HEAR FROM HAMMOND AND HAMILTON BEFORE DECIDING WHAT TO SAY TO EPMG.

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